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POLICE & THE NAVY.

Played on the ground of the Police C.C.
on Saturday, with the following result:—

NAVY.				
French, b Kelly	9			
Erasmus, run out	0			
Foranmore, c Grimmett, b King	0			
Rapley, b Kelly	3			
Dr. Scargill, c Cooper, b Booker	28			
Bourett, b Kelly	7			
Major Morgan, b Kelly	0			
Martin, c King, b Booker	14			
Forrest, b Kelly	9			
Williams, not out	11			
Willis, b Kelly	0			
Extras	5			

Total 92

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Kelly	11	1	29	6
Grimmett	5	0	20	0
King	4	1	8	1
Cooper	1	0	10	0
Booker	2	0	18	2

POLICE.

B. Gardner, c Bennett, b Rapley	5
A. Grimmett, c Major Morgan, b	9
Scargill	10
E. Booker, c Bennett, b Scargill	10
W. Withers, b Rapley	0
Reid, b Rapley	0
Kelly, b Scargill	7
Pitt, b.w., b Rapley	0
Burlingham, b Rapley	0
T. H. King, not out	0
Cooper, b Rapley	0
Edwards, b Rapley	4
Extras	3

Total 39

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Rapley	9	0	7	7
Major Morgan	2	0	17	0
Dr. Scargill	6	4	11	3

KOWLOON & CIVIL SERVICE.

Played on the Kowloon ground on
Saturday, the home team gaining an
overwhelming victory. The feature of
the game was the brilliant batting of Major
Robertson. In his innings were no fewer
than 23 boundary hits. Scores and
analysis:—

CIVIL SERVICE.				
B. C. Wicheell, run out	31			
P. T. Lambie, b Moberley	0			
E. W. Dawson, b Moberley	0			
W. Hill, b Moberley	0			
C. J. Tacchi, b Kaye	0			
E. O. Bird, c Evans, b Kaye	0			
C. Sara, b Moberley	1			
W. E. Edwards, b Moberley	1			
W. Beattie, run out	1			
F. E. Hall, b Kaye	3			
W. Bradbury, not out	1			
Extras	4			

Total 41

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Moberley	6	0	13	5
Kaye	6	4	24	3

KOWLOON.

B. D. Evans, b Wicheell	27
F. J. de Rome, b Wicheell	13
Major T. Robertson, retired	114
A. E. Raven, c Hill, b Edmonds	2
L. J. Blackburn, b Wicheell	0
Dr. Forsyth, b Wicheell	0
Lieut. Moberley, b Hill	41
W. Kaye, c Tacchi, b Bird	2
E. Lawrence, not out	5
Extras	10

Total (for 7 wickets) 219

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Bird	10	2	68	1
Wicheell	12	1	60	4
Edmonds	2	0	18	1
Lambie	2	0	18	0
Dawson	2	0	24	0
Sara	2	0	23	0
Hill	2	0	3	1

CLUB DEFEAT CRAIGENGOWER.

A Club team proved far too good for
Craigengower on the Club Ground on
Saturday, for apart from Bass and
Vivash the batsmen shaped indifferently
against bowling which was not difficult.
Scores:—

CLUB.				
O. A. Hooper, b Braga	49			
E. J. R. Mitchell, b Carvalho	25			
S. S. Moore, b Carvalho	20			
H. E. Muriel, b Carvalho	8			
A. L. Giese, b Carvalho	28			
R. A. Kennedy, b Sutherland	4			
T. B. Pearce, c Bass, b Braga	22			
R. Hancock, c Carvalho, b Sutherland	11			
P. Jacks, b Braga	0			
M. M. Maas, not out	0			
Extras	8			

Total 176

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. A. Carvalho	11	0	47	4
R. Sutherland	11	0	65	3
R. Pestonji	5	1	24	0
J. V. Braga	6	3	32	3

CRAIGENGOWER.

J. V. Braga, b Pearce	34
R. Bass, c Muriel, b Pearce	0
R. A. Carvalho, b Anderson	0
L. A. Rose, c Hooper, b Pearce	0
W. H. Vivash, c Mitchell, b Anderson	22
R. Sutherland, b Anderson	0
R. Pestonji, c and b Anderson	10
J. D. Norris, c and b Pearce	10
D. Kharas, b Anderson	4
S. Jos, not out	1
Anderson, b Maas	1
Extras	12

Total 98

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
R. N. Anderson	10	2	19	5
T. E. Pearce	8	1	64	4
M. M. Maas	1	3	0	1

KOWLOON C.C. & UNIVERSITY.

This match was played at Kowloon on
Saturday, resulting by a victory for the
University by a margin of 87 runs.
Scores:—

UNIVERSITY.				
K. Brayshaw, b.w., b McLennan	87			
Ng Sze Kwong, b Schultz	4			
Redmond, b McLennan	25			
Wai Wing Lock, b McLennan	28			
Chan Yut Kwong, b Pile	8			
Ho Wing Kin, c Edwards, b	7			
McLennan	0			
Ng Sze Chong, b McLennan	20			
A. H. Ramjahn, not out	0			
Yung Hin Lun, c Schultz, b	0			
McLennan	0			
C. G. Anderson, b McLennan	0			
C. O. Danneberg, b McLennan	7			
Extras	6			

Total 209

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Schultz	8	0	45	1
Overy	8	0	34	0
McLennan	16	0	65	8
Pile	8	0	58	1

Mr. McLennan performed the hat trick for
the K.C.C.

KOWLOON C.C.				
J. H. Mead, b Brayshaw	23			
K. McLennan, b Brayshaw	25			
H. Overy, c Redmond, b Brayshaw	18			
E. J. Edwards, c Chan Yut Kwong,	0			
b Ng Sze Kwong	0			
A. G. Pile, b Brayshaw	0			
A. W. E. Davidson, b Anderson	7			
S. R. Moore, b Ho Wing King	13			
H. C. Clements, b Brayshaw	22			
A. E. Schultz, c Ng Sze Kwong, b	0			
Brayshaw	1			
J. Spittles, not out	1			
J. C. Finch, c Ramjahn, b Ho Wing	2			
Kin	11			
Extras	11			

Total 122

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Brayshaw	14	0	51	6
Ho Wing Kin	6	2	29	2
Ng Sze Kwong	3	0	18	1
Anderson	4	0	13	1

ASSOCIATION FOOTBALL.

UNITED SERVICES LEAGUE.

HONGKONG F.C. AND R.G.A. DRAW.

The Artillerymen certainly had not the
best of luck in this, their second successive,
encounter with the Club on Saturday.
While in the first half play was slightly
in favour of the Clubmen, in the second
half the soldiers monopolised the game,
and but for a few spasmodic but always
dangerous incursions by the Clubmen, the
leather was practically kept within the
civilians' territory. While they admitted
they did not enjoy much luck, the deplorable
shooting of the Artillerymen contributed
not a little to their lack of success in goal-
scoring. They had opportunities galore,
but Barlow was seldom troubled with any-
thing like a really difficult shot. Indeed,
the only point the R.G. obtained was some-
thing of a fluke. The Club's custodian
jumped up at a high shot, but the ball hit
the cross-bar, and coming out, struck the
back of the keeper and dropped back into
the rigging. It was Swan's shot, and this
was by no means the most deserving of his
persistent attempts to lower the Club's
colours.

The first half was contested at a rattling
pace, and the Club forwards, exhibiting
finished workmanship and effective under-
standing, were the first to score, Stadler
banging the ball past Moore with a shot
that gave the goalkeeper absolutely no
chance. Hereabouts the game was of the
highest order, both sets of forwards
attacking in turn, with the Clubmen more
dangerous with their final efforts. The
ball was thrown about well by both sides,
but the R.A. invariably made a hash of
things at the critical moment. Peacock
performed wonders at centre-half—as did
also his *vis-a-vis*, Stewart—and fed his
forwards with creditable accuracy and
discretion. Try as they might, the Artillery-
men could not bring the scores level, and
the first half ended with the Club leading
by a goal to love.

The second half was commenced well, the
Club opening very promisingly. Moore
was soon engaged in negotiating shots
from the Hongkong front rankers, but
after this spurt the R.A. took command
of the game absolutely. The Club for-
wards could not obtain the ball, which was
time and again returned by the soldiers'
halves into the Club's danger area. The
R.A. men played a magnificent spoiling
game, using their advantage in height
with the greatest effect. The Club defen-
ders were so harried that they had little
time or opportunity to feed their for-
wards, and the ball being in the air more
than on the ground the tall R.A.s got it
every time. The defence set up against
Watson, Swan, and their helpers was
brilliant and unwavering. In fact there
never seemed to be a really bad mistake,
and while the Club forwards merit praise
for their splendid exhibition in the first
half, it is to the defence that the palm
must go for their sturdy display in the
other portion of the game.

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The prizes won in the recent competi-
tions were distributed by Lady May, on
Saturday afternoon, at the Ladies'
Recreation Club Pavilion, the results
being as follows:—

No. 1.—25 YARDS SCATCH: 1st prize pre-
sented by Mrs. Hoskyn; 2nd prize presented
by Wang Hing.

1 Mrs. Danby	97
2 Miss Loureiro	93
Mrs. Ralphs	90
Miss Hoskyn	89

No. 2.—25 YARDS HANDICAP: 1st prize pre-
sented by Miss Loureiro; 2nd prize presented
by Husbands of Members.

1 Miss Lammert	75 plus 30—100
2 Mrs. Scott Harston	80 „ 15—95
Miss Loureiro	95
Mrs. Danby	94

No. 4.—50 YARDS SCATCH: 1st prize pre-
sented by Mrs. Jackson; 2nd prize pre-
sented by the L. R. A.

1 Mrs. Griffin	93
2 Miss Hoskyn	93
Mrs. Danby	90
Miss Loureiro	89

No. 5.—50 YARDS HANDICAP: 1st prize pre-
sented by Mrs. Griffin; 2nd prize presented
by the L. R. A.

Mrs. Ralphs	92 plus 12—100
Mrs. Forsyth	80 „ 18—98
Mrs. Scott Harston	77 „ 10—97
Miss Loureiro	94

No. 7.—75 YARDS SCATCH: 1st prize pre-
sented by Husbands of Members; 2nd
presented by L.R.A.

Mrs. Danby	95
1 Mrs. Griffin	91
Mrs. Ralphs	90
2 Miss Hoskyn	89

No. 8.—75 YARDS HANDICAP: 1st prize
presented by Husbands of Members; 2nd prize
presented by L. R. A.

1 Mrs. Scott Harston	78 plus 30—100
2 Miss Wilkinson	88 „ 15—100
Mrs. Ralphs	82 „ 15—97
Mrs. Murray Scott	90 „ 6—96

No. 10.—SCATCH AGGREGATE OF NO. 1, 2,
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Mrs. Danby	554
Mrs. Ralphs	526
No. 12.—SLOW AND RAPID, 60 YARDS.	
Mrs. Ralphs	87 12 89—188

No. 13.—AFFINITY COMPETITION: prizes pre-
sented by the L. R. A.

Mrs. Griffin	97 plus 2—99
Mr. Griffin	95

Total 194

No. 3, 6, 9 and 14.—POOLS.

No. 3.—25 YARDS: Mrs. Danby (2), Mrs.
Greaves; 1st Day—Miss Hoskyn, Mrs.
Ralphs.

No. 6.—50 YARDS: Miss Hoskyn (2), Mrs.
Ralphs (2); 2nd Day—Mrs. Murray Scott (2),
Mrs. Forsyth, Mrs. Griffin.

No. 9.—75 YARDS: Mrs. Griffin (2), Mrs.
Danby, Mrs. Scott Harston; 3rd Day—Miss
Loureiro, Mrs. Ralphs, Mrs. Murray Scott.

No. 14.—75 YARDS: 4th Day—Mrs. Griffin
(4), Mrs. Ralphs (4), Mrs. Danby (3), Mr.
Danby (2), Dr. Hoskyn (2), Miss Loureiro,
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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 22ND, 1915.

THE CHINESE POSTAL
ADMINISTRATION.There is always a peculiar interest in
watching the development of a new
administration or organization, and this
is doubled when the young service is
subjected to the test imposed by external
and unexpected difficulties. This has
been notably so in the case of the Chinese
Post Office, and its somewhat belated
Report for 1913 should give encourage-
ment to those who are concerned for the
progress of China. 1913 was not a happy
year for China, nor one likely to offermuch assistance to a budding enterprise—
the South was in a ferment, the Yangtze
Valley was in a state of war, and the
Mongolian trouble was at its height, yet
the number of articles dealt with by the
Chinese Post Office during the year showed
the greatest increase ever recorded in the
history of the administration, the total
reaching 630 millions, or an increase of
about 25 per cent. over the preceding year.
It is curious to compare this with the 42½
millions carried annually ten years
before; since its inauguration the returns
of the Chinese Post Office have shown a
steady increase every year, but it is cer-
tain that it has not yet reached the limit
of its development. Assuming the popu-
lation of China as 350 millions, her
average of letters per head is even now
not far below that of India, but she is so
much behind the latter country in facili-
ties for communication that there is little
reason to doubt that, when the disparity
in this respect has been repaired, China's
annual returns will show a total at least
proportionate to that of Japan, which
would mean for China a total mail of
nearly 2,000 million articles yearly.
India, with 33,000 miles of railway, with
abundant steamer communication along
an extended coastline, and with 20,000
Post Offices, sends 2 letters per head of
the population every year; China, with
about 6,000 miles of railway and under
8,000 Post Offices, is only a fraction
behind this average, so there is no roomfor doubt that when postal agencies have
been opened up on a scale fully adequate
to the needs of the country, and still more
when the railway system has been develop-
ed so as to link up all the provinces and
provide highways from east to west and
from north to south, the operations of the
Chinese Post Office will attain a magni-
tude that will make the record figures of
1913 appear quite as infinitesimal as now
seem those of 1903, but by then the Annual
Reports will have lost much of their
interest. What gives them such a fascina-
tion now is the tale they have to tell of
difficulties overcome, of successful work-
ing under adverse conditions, and of
extraordinary expedients and adaptations
to meet unusual circumstances. This is
at present the normal history of the
Chinese Post Office; its staple means of
communication—courier lines—would be
regarded as an exceptional experience in
more advanced countries, so that it is
handicapped from the very start. These
courier lines represent, however, a mar-
vellous amount of organization and of
energetic supervision which can be appre-
ciated to the full only by those who have
lived in the far interior and have
received their mails regularly after an
overland transit of perhaps two or three
weeks. The latest report shows many
other adaptations to meet exceptional
needs or difficulties. In one province, the
mails have to be ferried across rivers on
skin rafts; in another, steel cables have
to be fixed over flooded streams to carry
the mails across. In the north-west,
special staffs have to be engaged to deal
with Turki mails; at Nanking, work was
conducted amid extraordinary difficulties
during the "siege" and the sacking of
the town by CHANG HSUN's troops; earth-
quakes, floods, landslides, and typhoons
all combine to harass the transmission of
mails; robbers and local rebellions add
their quota to the difficulties to be over-
come, though it is noteworthy that when
one town was given over to looting by
robbers for a week, during which time the
gates were closed and all traffic held up,
the mails passed through without delay.
It is, in short, the usual tale of the
Chinese Post Office, with advantage taken
of every means tending to improvement,
and with instant steps taken to overcome
any difficulty or obstacle that may arise—
a splendid example of what can be done
by a well-trained Chinese staff under
efficient foreign administration. The one
gloomy feature of the Report is the small
number of offices that are able to announce
themselves as self-supporting, but outlay
must always exceed returns during the
period of development, and (although no
financial statistics are published) it is
clear that the deficit must be becoming
proportionately less every year, and that
when the development of the service has
preceded to greater lengths, it may be
self-supporting financially, in addition to
the benefit it furnishes to the country in
a speedy and reliable means of communi-
cation. We can only regret that the same
cannot be said of the other branch of
China's communications, and that the
telegraph service is not organized on the
same efficient and trustworthy basis, but
perhaps it is not too much to hope that,
in process of time, the tesson will sink
in and the telegraph administration will
be committed into the hands that are
doing such excellent work for China's
postal needs.Five inches of snow fell in Tokyo on
the night of the 13th inst.
For kissing a famous actress without
permission a man has been fined \$50 by
the police authorities of Peking.
Entries for the Hongkong C.C. tennis
tournament close this evening, the time
for closing having been extended two
days.
It is stated that the survey of the whole
line of the Hankow-Szechuan Railway
will be completed at the end of September
this year.
According to the Kokumin, six promi-
nent German merchants of Tsingtao,
who were recently arrested and placed in
the prisoners' camp at the Jitis Barracks,
will be brought to Japan as soon as the
investigations are finished.
The sudden death at Shanghai of Mr.
P. Politi, of the Chinese Maritime Cus-
toms, is reported. The deceased, who was
65 years of age, was regarded as one of
the best Chinese scholars in China, and
he was the author of several works in
Italian on the Chinese language.
Mr. G. P. Puton, who has been acting
British Consul at Nagasaki for more than
a year, has just left to take up another
acting appointment as Consul at Tamsui,
Formosa, relieving Mr. T. Harrington,
who has been ordered to Manila. Mr. J.
Twissel Wawn, transferred from
Chemulpo, has been appointed Consul at
Nagasaki.
In Japanese telegrams to a Shanghai
paper Dr. Sun Yat-sen is represented
as advocating the closer union of China
and Japan, and as treating with scorn
his quondam friends who have returned
to China with the intention of giving
their allegiance to the Government of
China. We give the report for what it
may be worth.
The Gazette notifies that at the expira-
tion of three months from this date the
following companies will, unless cause is
shown to the contrary, be struck off the
Register and the companies will be dis-
solved:—The City Printing Co., Ltd.,
and The Chi Po Co., Ltd. The names of
the following companies have been struck
off the Register:—The Yee Mi Co., Ltd.,
Tientsin Horse Bazaar Ltd., and The
Whampoa Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.The latest list of contributions to the
local Cigarette and Tobacco Fund for the
Front brings up the total to \$3,756.57. A
total of \$150.50 was received from the
Professors and students of the University.
Mr. Geo. J. B. Sayer, the Hon. Secretary
and Treasurer, writes:—"My Committee
desire me to express their sincere thanks
to the generous contributors to the fund,
which will enable them to forward
another consignment in a few days. As
there are several lists outstanding the
Hon. Treasurer will be glad to receive
them to be entered up."The Hon. Treasurer of the Alcoa
Memorial and Affiliated Hospitals begs
to acknowledge with thanks the following
donations to the funds of the hospitals:—
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Chan Kai Ming 100
Chan Kang U 100
Chow Shau Shan 100
Tsang Chun Shung 100
Tee Yam Chi 100
Ming Sun Bank 100
Ming Kee 100
Chong Wo 50
Wong Fa Nung 50
Yeung Sing Un 50Messrs. Komor & Komor advertise an
exhibition of the Japanese Art Union.
Pictures by Kato, Yokouchi, Ozawa,
Kasagi, Mori Kawai, etc., whose names
are a guarantee of excellence, are
included in the exhibition. Every picture
is warranted to be genuine. Yokouchi
was in Hongkong in 1907, when he
painted for Sir Matthew Nathan some
pictures of great merit. Ozawa is a son
of Wigram, the pioneer of European
painting in Japan. The prices are cut
low and lovers of good pictures should
not miss the opportunity of visiting the
exhibition, now open at Komor & Komor's
Art Gallery in Alexandra Buildings.HONGKONG SANITARY
BOARD.Mr. P. W. Goldring pursuant to notice
will move the following resolutions at
to-morrow's meeting of the Sanitary
Board:—

- (i.)—That a sub-committee of the Board
be appointed to consider the ques-
tion of the down pipes, side-
channels, private wells

THE WAR.

GERMAN AERIAL ACTIVITY.

THREE BATTLESHIPS SUNK IN DARDANELLES.

BRITISH CREWS SAVED: FRENCH LOST.

RUSSIAN FLEET OFF BOSPHOROUS.

"KARLSRUHE" BELIEVED TO BE SUNK.

AIRSHIP ACTIVITY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AIR RAID ON BRITISH SHIPPING.

BOMBS FALL INTO SEA.

LONDON, March 20th.

A German aeroplane appeared over Deal and attempted to bomb shipping. All the bombs fell into the sea. A British patrol boat fired at the intruder, and British airmen are pursuing him.

BOMBS DROPPED ON PARIS.

LONDON, March 21st.

A Zeppelin dropped three bombs on Paris, causing a fire in the suburb of Neuilly.

LATER,

Apparently there were two Zeppelins, which dropped at least fourteen bombs on Paris in the western suburbs, starting unimportant fires.

Seven persons were injured, one severely.

RUSSIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

RUSSIANS FORCING BACK THE GERMANS.

THE CAPTURE OF MEMEL.

LONDON, March 21st.

An official announcement at Petrograd to-day says:—

The Germans, after a fight at Tauragga, have been forced beyond the frontier. A Russian detachment, impetuously advancing, reached Memel at 8 o'clock on Thursday evening and captured the place after some street fighting in which the inhabitants participated.

DETERMINED SORTIE FROM PRZEMYSL.

RUSSIANS TAKE 3,000 PRISONERS.

LONDON, March 21st.

It is officially announced at Petrograd that the Garrison at Przemyśl made a determined sortie, but were repulsed after nine hours' fighting. The Russians took 3,000 prisoners.

RUSSIAN CAVALRY PURSUING GERMANS.

LONDON, March 20th.

3.40 a.m.

A Petrograd official communiqué says: On the left bank of the River Niemen the Russians have captured Veyss. Cavalry are pursuing the Germans, who are retiring to Seyne.

Fighting for villages and isolated heights continues in the directions of Prasysz and Ostrolenka.

RE-INVASION OF EAST PRUSSIA.

AMSTERDAM, March 19th.

A German official communiqué says:—Weak Russian divisions have forced their way into Memel. Counter measures will be taken.

FRANCO-BELGIAN FRONT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

VIGOROUS FIGHTING ALONG FRENCH LINES.

LONDON, March 19th.

5 p.m.

To-day's Paris communiqué says:—

At Notre Dame de Lorette we have taken communication trenches towards the village of Ablain. We killed, drove out, or captured the defenders.

There has been most violent fighting between Bolante and Jour-de-Paris. We advanced 150 metres.

We repulsed a counter-attack in the Forest of Consenvoye, and maintained all the ground gained.

We stormed a salient eastward of a position which has been held by the enemy since last month, and repulsed counter-attacks by day and night.

FUTILE GERMAN ATTACKS.

LONDON, March 21st.

2 a.m.

The Paris evening communiqué says:—The Germans, after a heavy bombardment, attempted a night attack at Boisselle, to the north-east of Albert, but they were repulsed.

Heavy fighting has been going on at Eparges, where the French hold the greater part of the German position, despite five counter-attacks. The Germans left numerous dead.

A LACONIC COMMUNIQUE.

LONDON, March 20th.

5.35 p.m.

To-day's Paris communiqué says:—

There is nothing to report.

BRITISH TROOPS' DASH AND GALLANTRY.

UNIMPAIRED BY SEDENTARY TRENCH WORK.

LONDON, March 18th.

Field-Marshal Sir John French, in his bi-weekly Bulletin, says:—

An isolated attack by 200 Germans against St. Eloi was easily repulsed, and two-thirds of the attackers were killed or wounded.

The enemy expended much artillery ammunition in the region of Neuve Chapelle with insignificant results.

The gallantry and dash of the troops in the battle at Neuve Chapelle, under the able and determined leadership of General Sir Douglas Haig, proved conclusively that the sedentary work in the trenches has not impaired their original fighting qualities.

FRENCH FINANCES.

PARIS, March 18th.

The Chamber of Deputies, after a speech delivered by M. Ribot, the Minister of Finance, has voted the issue of Treasury Bonds up to a limit of four milliards and a half francs.

M. Ribot stated that the financial situation of France is satisfactory. He thanked the small capitalists for their support, and affirmed the absolute probity of the French financial policy.

[HAVAS SERVICE.]

RESULT OF GERMAN ACTIVITY.

NO PROGRESS AND CONSIDERABLE LOSSES.

PARIS, March 18th.

Although they delivered numerous counter-attacks, the Germans could not dislodge us from our positions, which we maintained in the Arras, Albert and Champagne regions. The only result of the German activity was that they sustained, everywhere, considerable losses.

NAVAL ACTIVITIES.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

DISASTERS AT DARDANELLES.

"IRRESISTIBLE," "OCEAN" AND "BOUVET" SUNK.

SPLENDID WORK AGAINST THE FORTS.

LONDON, March 19th.

11.35 p.m.

The Official Press Bureau says that in the course of a general attack on the forts in the Narrows of the Dardanelles Straits, the French battleship *Bouvet* struck a floating mine and sank in three minutes. Almost all hands were lost owing to an explosion aboard.

Floating mines also struck and sank the British battleships *Irresistible* and *Ocean*. Practically the whole of the crews were removed, despite a hot fire. The *Gaulois* was also damaged by gun-fire.

PROGRESS IN MINE-SWEEPING.

Mine-sweeping has been in general progress during the last ten days inside the Straits, and a general attack by the Anglo-French Fleets commenced yesterday on the fortresses in the Narrows.

At 10.45 a.m. the *Queen Elizabeth*, *Agamemnon*, *Infatigable*, and *Lord Nelson* bombarded five forts, while the *Triumph* and *Prince George* aimed at three batteries of howitzers and field guns, which replied heavily.

At 12.52 p.m. *Suffren*, *Gaulois*, *Charlemagne*, and *Bouvet* advanced and engaged the forts at close range. Four of the forts replied strongly, but were silenced by ten battleships inside the Straits. All the ships were hit.

FORTS SILENCED.

At 1.25 p.m. all the forts ceased firing, and the *Vengeance*, *Irresistible*, *Ocean*, *Albion*, *Swiftsure*, and *Majestic* advanced to relieve six old battleships inside the Straits.

As the French Squadron, which had engaged the forts most brilliantly, was passing out, the *Bouvet* was blown up and sank in 38 fathoms of water to the north of Arenkioi village.

The relief battleships renewed the attack on the forts, which re-opened fire. The attack was maintained while mine sweepers were operating.

At 4 o'clock and 5 o'clock respectively the *Irresistible* and *Ocean* struck mines and sank in deep water.

The *Infatigable* had her forward control position struck by a heavy shell, and requires repair.

The bombardment and mine-sweeping terminated as darkness fell.

SPECIAL MEASURES AGAINST FLOATING MINES.

The floating mine danger will require special treatment. The British casualties are not heavy considering the scale of the operations.

A report regarding the damage done to the forts will be issued later. The operations are continuing with ample Military and Naval forces.

Vice-Admiral Sir R. Carden was on the 16th inst. incapacitated by illness, and he was succeeded in the command of the operations by Rear-Admiral de Robeck.

STORY OF REUTER'S EYE-WITNESS.

Reuter's representative at Tenedos, which is just off the coast, cables that he watched the bombardment on the 18th instant from a hill on St. Elias. It began at 11 o'clock in the morning and ceased at 5 o'clock in the evening. Sixteen battleships in groups of three in the Straits fired at Forts

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

Suandere, Hamidieh, Kidilbahr, Medjidieh, and Sijmanlik, which replied vigorously but unsuccessfully. Clouds of black smoke at 2 o'clock in the afternoon rose from a fort near the town of Dardanelles, suggesting that a magazine had exploded.

Particulars of the battleships which completed, 1901-04; armament, four 12-in. and 12 6-in.; speed, 18 knots.

Ocean.—Displacement, 12,050 tons; completed, 1900-05; armament, four 12-in. and 12 6-in.; speed, 18.9 knots.

Bouvet.—Displacement, 12,000 tons; completed, 1896-98; armament, two 12-in., two 10.8-in. and eight 5.5-in.; speed, 18.1 knots; complement, 620.

The *Henri IV*, which replaces the *Bouvet*, is of 8,807 tons displacement, and was completed in 1902. Her principal armament is composed of two 10.8-in. and seven 5.5-in.

BRITISH CASUALTIES.

LONDON, March 20th.

It is officially announced that the total casualties for the week include 515 officers (1).

[It is not stated in the message whether this is an Admiralty announcement, and we are in some doubt as to whether the message relates to casualties in the Fleet operating at the Dardanelles, especially as the message reads "515 officers," and makes no mention of men. We assume, in the absence of any indication to the contrary, that it refers to the Dardanelles operations and that the announcement should read "515 officers and men."]

FRENCH OFFICIAL ACCOUNT.

LONDON, March 20th.

3.40 a.m.

A Paris official announcement says that the Allied Fleets were subjected to severe fire in the Dardanelles, and the *Gaulois* is temporarily out of action. The *Henri Quatre*, which is now off Syria, has been ordered to replace the *Bouvet*.

RUSSIAN FLEET OFF THE BOSPHORUS.

PANIC IN CONSTANTINOPLE.

LONDON, March 20th.

An official Petrograd communiqué says that the approach of a Russian Squadron in the Northern Bosphorus has created a panic in Constantinople.

FATE OF THE "KARLSRUHE."

REPORTED SUNK OFF THE WEST INDIES.

LONDON, March 10th.

The Admiralty announces that there is reason to believe that the German cruiser *Karlsruhe* was sunk off the West Indies in November.

ARMED MERCHANTMEN'S DUEL.

BRITISH SINKS GERMAN.

LONDON, March 20th.

5.15 a.m.

A New York despatch from Valparaiso states that the armed merchantman *Orana* fought and sank the German armed liner *Navarra* in November off the River Plate, and rescued the crew.

[The *Orana* was built in 1911 for the Orient Steam Navigation Company. She is of 12,927 tons gross, with a speed of 18 knots. The *Navarra* belonged to the Hamburg-America Line.]

LATE TELEGRAMS.

[FROM SOUTHERN PAPERS.]

GREEK NEUTRALITY.

KING IN FAVOUR OF ITS MAINTENANCE.

LONDON, March 8th.

Telegrams from Athens state that the King accepted the resignation of M. Venizelos because he considered that it was not to the country's interest to abandon the attitude of neutrality. A crowd demonstrated in favour of war outside the Russian, French and Serbian legations. The British Minister on visits to the Foreign Office was several times recognized by the populace and ovated.

LEGION OF HONOUR.

LONDON, March 11th.

Capt. Percy Arthur Olive, M.P., of the Grenadier Guards, has been awarded the Legion of Honour for bravery in the trenches. He was anonymously mentioned in a recent Eye-witness report as crawling with another British officer into a German communication trench and returning with information he was sent to obtain.

REWARDS FOR CONSPICUOUS GALLANTRY.

LONDON, March 11th.

The *London Gazette* announces that ten Distinguished Service Orders and fifteen Military Crosses for officers who displayed conspicuous gallantry and marked ability have been conferred; also large numbers of Distinguished Conduct Medals to the rank and file and the Indian Order of Merit for gallantry and devotion while serving in Indian corps.

CORRESPONDENCE.

AFFAIRS IN PORTUGAL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—I am in receipt of advice from the Maceo Government in which they refute as being entirely without foundation the two telegrams about the state of affairs in Portugal published in your well-known journal on the 18th inst. The country is tranquil, and I shall be pleased if you contradict the statements published.—I have the honour to be, Sir, your obedient servant.

JOSE C. DE OBALDIA,

Consul-General de Panama, encargado de los intereses de Portugal.

The telegrams referred to are appended:—

NEW YORK, March 6th.

According to a news agency dispatch from Madrid, at a Congress of Democrats held at Lamego, General Antonio Xavier Correia Barreto has been proclaimed President of the Republic of Northern Portugal.—*Reuter-Kokusai*.

LONDON, March 8th.

Indirect telegrams via Madrid represent the situation in Portugal as becoming acute, owing to widespread dissatisfaction with the present régime. There is even talk of an independent republic in northern Portugal. The Minister of Finance, who resigned formally, has pronounced in favour of a national Cabinet combining all parties.—*Reuter*.

ALLEGED FRAUD ON HOTELS.

MONEY STILL NOT FORTHCOMING.

The case in which Frank Carlisle Castlemaine is charged with obtaining credit by fraud from the proprietor of the Astor House Hotel, Hongkong, was again mentioned at the Magistracy, before Mr. J. R. Wood, on Saturday.

Mr. Gardiner, for the defendant, said the money was at present not forthcoming, but the defendant still had hopes that it would turn up very soon.

His Worship intimated that there was difficulty in regard to the legal position.

Mr. Hind, for the prosecution, said that he intended now to offer further evidence in respect to alleged frauds that the defendant had perpetrated on four other hotels; the Carlton, Tokio, Stag and Nomura. He would call evidence to prove that the defendant had acted in a very suspicious manner, and two witnesses would say that when they asked defendant for the money he said that he would pay on the day following. After the additional evidence, he thought the case would develop into one of legal argument.

His Worship asked Detective-Sgt. Wills if he was still prepared to keep the defendant in custody.

The officer replied that he would do so if the Magistrate made an order to that effect.

His Worship said that he could not make the order without consent.

The officer said that there was the possibility of a congestion in the number of prisoners. He was very busy now and was put to some inconvenience to attend in the case, as he had been transferred to Yaumati since the case was first mentioned. He would consent, but if there was a congestion he would apply to his worship.

Defendant was remanded formally until to-day, and the additional evidence will be taken on Wednesday.

BOY SCOUTS' PARADE.

At St. Joseph's College compound on Saturday afternoon, Commodore Anstruther, R.N., presented badges to the senior and junior troops of Boy Scouts. Lady May was among those occupying seats on the dais under the saluting flag during the march-past, and others present included Bishop Pozzani, Commander Basil Tylor, R.N., who was in command, Major Bowen (Chief Scout), Lieut.-Col. Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. Skelton, Mr. and Mrs. E. Ralph, the Chilean Minister to Japan, M. Liebert and the Misses Liebert, and Brothers Aimer (director of the College), Alphonse, and Cornelius.

The troops on parade were the Peak Wolf Cubs under Hon. Scoutmaster G. Roylance; Wolf Cubs, under Mrs. Raynor; St. Joseph's junior troop, under Assistant Scoutmaster J. M. Brega, and the St. Joseph's Senior troop, with band, under Scoutmaster A. J. Edwards. Assistant Scoutmaster Farrell attended the Commodore, who, we understand, will shortly become Commissioner of the Hongkong Association.

WHEN THE ALLIES ADVANCE.

THEIR PROBABLE LINE OF OFFENSIVE.

WHERE THE RHINE MIGHT BE FORCED.

A well-known American war correspondent, who went through the first and second Balkan campaigns, gave it as his opinion the other day that the Allies would find the task of driving the Germans out of Belgium practically impossible. His reason for thinking this was that he could see no opening for them to deliver any but frontal attacks which his experience in the Balkans led him to think would prove hopeless. He pointed to the Germans attempts to reach Calais by the same methods, which, as we all know, have resulted in nothing but a position of stalemate. It seems to me, he concluded, that the present immobility of the opposing forces may go on indefinitely, that victory will be won on economic and not military grounds.

The February *Fortnightly Review* contained an exceedingly interesting article on this very subject. When the Allies advance, as everybody believes they will try to do a very short time from now, what will be their plan of campaign? The writer puts the idea of frontal attacks in Belgium on one side at once. The country, he says, has been converted by the Germans into a gigantic field fortress with line after line of entrenchments armed with heavy guns in position. Accordingly, all that will be attempted here will be a steady pressure with, of course, a constant readiness to push through any sudden weakening in the enemy's defence. The real offensive will take place from eastern France.

THE ROAD TO MANNHEIM.

The two main routes from eastern France into south Germany are through the Belfort route into Baden and through the Palatinate into Bavaria. The more natural, direct and historic line of invasion passes through the plateau of Lorraine on the west side of the Northern Vosges mountains between the Hundenuck and Hardt mountains, and an advance along this route would have for its first objective Mannheim, which is admitted to be the weakest point on the Rhine frontier. To reach this point, however, will not prove easy. Supposing, as is considered probable, that the French concentration took place on the Upper Moselle between the entrenched camps of Toul and Epinal, the line of advance through Lorraine would have to pass between the fortresses of Metz and Strassburg which are eighty miles apart and are both places of arms of the first magnitude.

It would be necessary, either to subdue or meet these fortresses before moving on to the Rhine and siege operations on a scale commensurate with the size and armament of these strong places would use up at least half a million men. Moreover, the Saar being the first line of German defence against an invading army coming through Lorraine from the Moselle base, the Germans have very naturally been strengthening it. The right bank of the river commands the left and is so precipitous as to be practically unassailable by troops crossing over from the left bank. And as the neutrality of Luxembourg has been violated, the French left flank would be assailable from there, a fact which would make it necessary for the French to secure all the passages over the Moselle from Metz to Trèves.

This would mean a subsidiary campaign which would have to be undertaken from the Verdun base simultaneously with the movement into Lorraine. Mannheim, clearly, would not be gained easily. WHERE ITALY COULD HELP.

The attempt to reach it by the route indicated would have to be supported by an offensive movement in Alsace. This could be done with a subsidiary army based on the entrenched camps of Langres and Beaumont, a possibility which lends such great interest to the brief but numerous references which the official communiqués make to the fighting in this area. And it is here that Italian co-operation would be so decisively important.

If the Italians, declares the author of the article in the *Fortnightly Review*, make up their minds to throw in their lot with the Allies, there is room for a co-operative movement directed against Stuttgart and Munich. Though the Black Forest does not lend itself to the rapid movements of troops, it is no longer the impenetrable barrier it used to be between the Rhine and the Danube. Three lines of railway lead from the upper Danube to the valley of the Rhine, one from Donaueschingen to Freiburg; another to Offenburg and a third to Karlsruhe. It may be that in two months' time we shall see a repetition of Napoleon's strategy in 1805 and another French descent into the valley of the Danube with the intention of giving a hand to an Italian invasion of Bavaria through the Austrian Tyrol. That would surely alter the position of stalemate which seems so unending.

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Messrs. Shawan, Tones & Co., agents of the Yangtze Insurance Association, Ltd., have received a cable from their head office in Shanghai, informing them that the directors have resolved to recommend a dividend of 30 per cent. at the forthcoming meeting of shareholders.

TROUBLES IN SZECHUEN.

A Japanese telegram appearing in a Shanghai contemporary says:—

The British Legation in Peking received a telegram from Chengtu in Szechuen to the effect that a British Vice-Consul and a French father were captured by Chinese troops at Tachienlu on the 11th March. The British and the French Ministers at Peking have demanded their release at the Waichiao.

THE HEART OF BELGIUM.

SUFFOCATING A PEOPLE.

[BY AN AMERICAN CORRESPONDENT IN "THE TIMES."]

King Albert and his soldiers are not only Belgians fighting for the cause of the Allies. Some seven millions of Belgians at home are also fighting. The soldiers in the Allied trenches at Dixmude, enjoying the privilege of free men in the remaining unconquered strip of their soil, face the enemy in open battle with weapons as good as his. But the people between the German trenches and the Dutch frontier are waging war with only mind and spirit against the bayonets of Landsturm guards.

In former days the traveller hardly thought of Belgium as having patriotic homogeneity. She seemed a hothouse of industry whose nationality was the artificial product of European politics. After five months of German occupation one would not have been surprised to find her thrifty artisans, manufacturers, peasants, and traders bowing to Czar in at least a trace of outward friendliness for the sake of individual profit. Nothing of the kind has happened. Belgium is an unshaken unit of defiance of German rule. Her metal, struck to a white heat in the furnace of war, has cooled under German occupation to tempered steel. Whether always latent or newly born out of the horrors of Louvain, Belgian nationalism is a fact. Defeat and suffering have only served to strengthen the Belgians' love of their King and of all the principles he incarnates.

"We know how to suffer in Belgium," said a Belgian jurist. "Our ability to suffer and to hold fast to our hearth has kept us going through the centuries. Now a ruffian has come into our house and taken us by the throat. He can choke us to death or he can slowly starve us to death, but he cannot make us yield. No, we shall never forgive!"

"You, too, hate, then?" I asked.

"Of course I hate. For the first time in my life I know what it is to hate; and so do my countrymen. I begin to enjoy my hate. It is one of the privileges of our present existence. We cannot stand on chairs and tables as they do in Berlin cafes and sing our hate, but no one can stop our hating in secret."

"WAR IS WAR."

Whereas outside of Belgium you get contradictory items of Belgian news, which lead to confusion, once you are in Belgium the German logic of the German methods from the outset of their occupation becomes clear. As one rides about the country the systematic destruction of certain groups of houses where there had been sniping is evident in the cold ruins which mark the result of a definite order about a definite location. The Germans insist that their was the merciful way. *Krieg ist Krieg*! By calculated reprisals and punishment they stopped sniping. If they had bothered with trials and investigations, they say, sniping would have kept up. They may have taken innocent lives and burned the homes of the innocent, they admit, but their defence is that thereby they save many lives of their soldiers and thousands upon thousands of lives of Belgians and prevented the feud between the rulers and the ruled from becoming more embittered.

Sniping over, the next step in policy was to keep the population quiet with a minimum of soldiery, which would permit a maximum at the front. Prussian brusqueness was found unnecessarily irritating to the population. A Belgian would lose his temper and turn desperate, and the Prussian would reply with the bayonet. Therefore the elders of the Saxon and Bavarian forces were called in. They were amiable fathers-of families, who would obey orders without taking the law into their own hands. Though round, they were good enough for doing sentry go and guarding the roads, while the more vigorous could be put to more strenuous work. For the German staff thinks things out well. *Krieg ist Krieg* at Louvain. Diplomacy is diplomacy to-day in Belgium.

The occupation is strictly military. It concerns itself with the business of national suffocation. All the functions of the national government are in German hands. But Belgian policemen guide the street traffic, arrest culprits for ordinary misdemeanours, and take them before Belgian Judges. This concession, which also means a saving in soldiers, only aggravates to the Belgian the regulations directed against his freedom.

Whereas refugees departed freely from Louvain in August and from Antwerp in October, because their movement could not be controlled, now Belgians only in exceptional instances may leave their country. They are prisoners in their own land. They may not go from one town to another; they may not use the telephone or the telegraph; they may write letters only through the German military post; they may not use their own railroad system as passengers or for parcel transport. Belgians seen walking across the fields are hailed by a Landsturm guard. They may walk only in the streets and go to their shops and offices within the radius of their own communities. The psychological effect of this is appreciable only after it is endured. One might be quite content for a week within the confines of his own house and garden, but the moment a sentry with a bayonet appeared at the gate with word that one could not go to the post-office or to call on a neighbour across the street, one's own house and garden become a goal.

THE GERMAN BOYCOTT.

The Belgians are prisoners who shame, outwit, and pluck their gaolers in a kind of warfare more efficacious than sniping, in which both sexes and all ages have become expert through a merciless apprenticeship. Any Belgian, unless he be a Belgian official who has dealings or social relations with a German is proscribed by his class. Should a German officer sit down at the same table in a cafe or restaurant with a Belgian, the Belgian takes another seat. If an officer enters a tram, women draw back so their garments will not touch his, as if they would escape

vermin. One officer who lost his temper on such an occasion exclaimed:—"Madame, I shall not contaminate you!" Her only reply was to look at the officer's coat and draw a little farther away.

In the smaller towns, where the Germans are billeted in Belgian houses, of course the hosts must serve their unwelcome guests. "Yet we manage to let them know what is in our heart," said one woman. "Some try to be friendly. They say they have wives and children at home, and we answer, 'How glad they would be to see you! Why don't you go home?'"

When a report reached the commander in Ghent that an old man had concealed arms, a sergeant with a guard was sent to search the house.

"Yes, my son has a rifle."

"Where is it?"

"In his hands on the Yser, if he is not dead, Monsieur. You are welcome to search, Monsieur."

If the sergeant had struck the old man his neighbours would have known it. The tale would have travelled on the whisper to Brussels and eventually to the neutral countries, which would have called forth the plaint from the Foreign Office at Berlin:—"After all our pains, there you soldiers go, breaching the crockery again!"

The German officer and every German soldier in Belgium is the mouthpiece of propaganda for the policy which succeeded that of Louvain, after "terrorization had accomplished its purpose." They tell the Belgians at every opportunity that the English and the French can never come to their rescue. The Allies are beaten; Paris and Warsaw will soon fall; the Suez Canal will soon be in Turkish hands. It was the British who got Belgium into trouble; the British who are responsible for the idleness, the penury, the hunger, and the suffering in Belgium to-day. The British used Belgium as a cat's paw; then they deserted her. But the Belgians remain unconvinced.

The rulers cannot understand why the Belgians should not like them. Occasionally they break out in disgust at the failure of their efforts by declaring that "the Belgians are a vile, worthless, tricky people, who ought to be wiped off the face of the earth," as a fitting fate for anyone who cannot appreciate the benefits of going into the hopper of the wonderful machine of German paternalism.

RIDICULE AND HATE.

If the Belgian be lost to *Kultur* it is his own fault, and not for want of systematic instruction. An Englishman or a Frenchman who gets irritated at times with his own national censorship could only imagine how a Belgian feels if everything he had to read about the war were under the German censorship. Copies of *The Times*, though drastically forbidden, do reach Brussels, but are seen only by a fortunate few. In times when the Belgian most wants real news, when he has little to do but wonder what the real news is, in place of his favourite morning and evening edition, now suppressed or published elsewhere, he gets only the newspapers established under German auspices, which aim to change the views which he will not change. If he cannot afford for a paper, why the German, Austrian, and Turkish bulletins and the German wireless news are posted on the walls among the latest *verboden* and proclamations. About the only time that a Belgian smiles is when he stops to read the bulletins, and he likes to have the German sentry see his smile. "Little ones, be good! Here is a new fairy tale!" he tells his neighbours.

Belgium is developing a new humour; a humour at the expense of the Germans, the only kind of humour for which Belgians have any heart. In their homes they mimic their rulers freely as they please. To carry mimicry into the streets means arrest for the elders, but not always for the children. You have heard the story, which is true, of how some gamins put carrots in old bowler hats to represent the spikes of German helmets, and at their leader's command of "On to Paris!" a goose-step backwards. There is another which you may have not heard, of a small boy who put on grandfather's spectacles, a pillow under his coat, and a card on his cap, "Officer of the Landsturm." The conquerors had enough sense not to interfere with the battalion which was taking Paris; but the pseudo-Landsturm officer was chased into a doorway and got a cuff after his placard was taken away from him.

Most of the Belgians, wearing the black, yellow, and red, on King Albert's portrait in their buttonholes, pass by the German patrols or the sentries in front of public buildings without seeming to see them. When an order was issued that Belgian colours or the King's portrait should not be displayed, the next day they were as conspicuously for sale in the shops as ever, and many Belgians replied by wearing a second button with the portrait of the Queen, a Bavarian, beside that of the King, or by adding the King's portrait to the colours, where they had worn only a single emblem. At Mass in Brussels I saw an enormous Belgian flag draped on a standard in the centre of a church. Authority might not tear down the symbol of patriotism when safeguarded by a religious service.

A German officer entering a shop to buy a cigar and finding the King's portrait on the walls exclaimed:—

"Don't you know that is forbidden?"

"Yes, Monsieur."

"Then why do you leave it up?"

"Because I love my King. Don't you love your Kaiser? You wouldn't love him any less if he were in trouble, would you?"

The officer took his cigar and left the shop without further comment. He knew that the woman who served him was thinking, "It is your privilege to buy, but as I sell I love you! I love you!" What a puffing and rushing about for the Landsturm if they had tried to enforce the order against flags and buttons! No sooner would they have cleared the button-hole of a Belgian in front than the colours would have appeared in a button-hole at the rear. If all offenders were arrested the goals of Germany could not hold them.

UNARMED WAR.

These are little things, but reflective of how the millions of unarmed wage their war. There are more vital things. Germany may force Belgians into the mines, as they have at Liège, or to other forms of manual labour under guards. But the bayonet fails with the skilled artisan. The repairing of a German official automobile would hardly be risked at a Belgian garage. That automobile would likely break down before it was far along the road; and how could the officer riding in it prove that the mechanic at the garage was responsible for the accident? Usually when skilled labour is required there are no skilled Belgians to be found. Belgians refuse to work in the arms factories or any other factories which produce material of war for the enemy.

With their whispered satire, with lips stiff with scorn, with glances of contempt, with every resource of civilized men's wit and stubbornness and the force of the mass of their millions they are fighting while economic ruin stares them in the face and bread from America gives them the strength to go on. They have suffered most of all the Allies for the Allies' cause. It looks as if they may have to starve for it. We come to the problem of how a country dependent on the food it bought with its industry is to live if the Allies do not break open the doors with victory.

"It does seem nearer!" people in Brussels keep saying when they hear gunfire. There is something pitiful and something fine in their confidence and loyalty. They have no doubt that Sir John French is coming. England, they think, is invincible. As they see German officers in flying automobiles and as they obey with their bodies but not their minds, they dream of that day when their King shall mount the steps of his Palace and khaki columns march through the streets singing "Tipperary."

WAR NEWS.

FOOD FAMINE IN GERMANY.

The following extracts from a letter found on a German prisoner show what the war means to the poor in Germany:—

3/1/15.—Everything has risen and is frightfully expensive. The raising of live stock is very difficult, as people have been forced to declare all their stocks of fodder. The same applies to corn and other cereals. . . . We are organizing ourselves for a long war. . . . But if it is not over by the spring it will mean real misery for us. 12/1/15.—Here in Germany it is just as if there were a famine. . . . Food is fearfully dear, and the lack of hands is making itself very much felt.

The repeated references to the rise in prices and the scarcity of food-stuffs is significant, for it is a feature which has only recently made its appearance.

A DRAMATIC INCIDENT.

Eye-Witness with the British Headquarters in one of his recent letters says:—

It will be remembered that on February 1st, after recapturing a trench which the Germans had taken from us a few hours before, we gained by successive attacks two posts on the canal bank. As a matter of fact, one of these had been taken from us a short time before, and was not a German post as stated in the letter of February 2nd. In the first rush on the nearest work one of those unforeseen but dramatic incidents occurred which often imperil even the best laid schemes. As the storming party was on the point of clearing forward just at the moment when delay might have been fatal, for the night just have given the enemy, who were much shaken by our artillery, first time to recover, a man dropped a box of hand-grenades, some of which detonated. For one instant there was bewilderment and some hesitation, no one quite knowing what had happened. Fortunately the officer who was leading the storming party rushed ahead, and his men followed him and carried the enemy's position at the point of the bayonet with very slight loss. After this the Germans were kept on the run. Our supports came up, and, passing through the first line holding the recovered trench, rushed the next post, then the party which had made the original assault advanced through these again and captured the second post.

MILITARY PSYCHOLOGY.

A correspondent writing to *The Times* says:—

Reading Professor William James' "Varieties of Religious Experience," I came across the following quotation which was taken from Hamon's "Psychologie du Militaire Professionnel": Hamon himself takes it from C.V.B.K.: "Friedens- und Kriegs-moral der Heere," it seems to be a good sample of the *Kultur* which fills the soul of the German military staff:—

"Live and let live is no device for an army. Contempt for one's own comrades, for the troops of the enemy, and above all fierce contempt for one's own person, are what war demands of every one. Far better is it for an army to be too savage, too cruel, too barbarous, than to possess too much sentimentality and human reasonableness. If the soldier is to be good for anything as a soldier, he must be exactly the opposite of a reasoning and thinking man. The measure of goodness in him is his possible use in war. War and even peace require of the soldier absolute peculiar standards of morality. The recruit brings with him common moral notions, which he must seek immediately to get rid of. For him victory, success, must be everything. The most barbaric tendencies in men come to life again in war, and for war's uses they are immeasurably good."

To me it seems to back up Moltke's statement: "The aim of the soldier's life is destruction and nothing but destruction." Result:—"Belgium the land that is desolate."

SHIPPING IN PORT.

STEAMERS.

AKI MARU, Japanese str., 4,002, I. Noma, 18th March—Shanghai 15th March, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

CHETIAN MARU, Japanese str., 1,000, Maka, 18th March—Kinchon Bay 13th March, Salt.—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

OHIO MARU, Japanese str., 7,243, W. W. Greene, 18th March—San Francisco 13th February, General.—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.

CITY OF CORINTH, British str., 3,700, R. Gordon, 18th March—Shanghai 16th March, General.—Shewan, Tomes & Co.

FEICHING, Chinese str., 979, A. B. Buno, 16th March—Shanghai 13th March, General.—Chinese.

FUKUYU MARU, Japanese str., 3,037, 12th March—Mito 6th March, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

HAIJOTIS, Dutch str., Bakker, 17th March—Singapore 9th March, Bulk Oil.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

HONGKONG, French str., 742, Marquerite, 14th March—Hohow 13th March, General.—A. R. Marty.

HUPH, British str., 1,205, C. P. Cole, 17th March—Bangkok 9th March, Rice.—Butterfield & Swire.

IXION, British str., 6,527, G. L. Stout, 18th March—Manila 15th March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

KAMON, Norwegian str., 949, Faltmen, 11th March—Hongay 8th March, Coal.—Chinese.

KENYON MARU, Japanese str., 2,091, S. Sasaki, 9th March—Moff 3rd March, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

KIAO FING, Chinese str., 1,222, U. Udden, 14th March—Chinkiang 8th March, General.—Chinese.

KOHIMA MARU, Japanese str., Yamachita, 18th March—Nagasaki 13th March, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.

LENA, British str., 1,318, 15th March—Shanghai 12th March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

MAUSANG, British str., 1,644, Matthews, 18th March—Sandakan 9th March, Timber.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

MINNESOTA, American str., 13,323, Garlick, 11th March—Seattle 6th February, General.—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

NAMANG, British str., 2,591, H. E. Gilroy, 18th March—Moff 13th March, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

PENAMPUNG, British str., 1,065, W. O. Dird, 12th March—Suva 7th March, Rice and General.—Order.

SAINT ROBERT, British str., 3,553, G. Aitken, 19th March—Manila 16th March, General.—Doddwell & Co.

SABINE RICKMERS, Dutch str., Schuurman, 17th March—Swatow 16th March, Nil.—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

SUMATRA, Swedish str., 3,271, A. C. Nordfeld, 14th March—Moff 9th March, Beans.—Swedish Trading Co.

THETIS, British str., 1,227, John Cogan, 9th March—Shanghai 5th March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

TITARON, Dutch str., 1,000, J. N. Brumm, 17th March—Batavia, Sugar.—Java-China-Japan Lijn.

PASSENGERS.

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Per *Singap*, from Haiphong, Bishop Lander, Miss and Master Lander and Mr. Shields.

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Per *Singap*, from Singapore, etc., Bishop McGary, Miss Sastee, Capt. Thompson, Lieut. Brett, Lieut. Kennedy and Mr. Garratt.

Per *Atlantique*, from Shanghai, Mr. E. M. Gull, Mr. A. Macgownan, Mr. T. W. Ashurst, Mrs. Carl Crow, Rev. Harris Masterson, Mr. E. W. Bauckham, Mr. Happerer, from Kobe, Mrs. Conaka and Mrs. Yanaga.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

TO-DAY.

4 p.m.—Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce Meeting of Foreign Importers at the Secretary's Office.

Wednesday, 24th March:—

11 a.m.—Hongkong Club Twenty-Seventh Half-Yearly Drawing of 65 Debutantes in the Club House.

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Thursday, 25th March:—

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ARABIAN, Danish str., 3,004, D. Toste, 19th March—Johannesburg 11th January, General—Order.

ATLANTIQUE, French str., 3,472, Charbonnel, 19th March—Yokohama and Shanghai 17th March, General—Messageries Maritimes.

BOMBAY MARU, Japanese str., 3,380, K. Kurozumi, 20th March—Swatow 14th March, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.

BOYARIN, Russian str., 995, Baiding, 20th March—Haiphong 17th March, Rice and General—Chinese.

CANADA MARU, Japanese str., 3,547, T. Suruga, 20th March—Shanghai 17th March, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.

CHONGSHING, British str., from Canton.

FAU SHAN, British str., 1,410, H. S. Malkin, 19th March—Singapore 14th March, Rice—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HAICHING, British str., 1,267, W. C. Passmore, 21st March—Swatow 20th March, General—Douglas LaPraik & Co.

HSIN CHANG, Chinese str., 1,244, Munro, 20th March—Tientsin 13th and Chefoo 15th March, General—Chinese.

HUE, French str., 730, A. Cornelissen, 20th March—K. O. Wan 19th March, General—A. R. Marty.

HUICHOW, British str., 1,232, Shane, 21st March—Tientsin 14th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

LUANGCHOW, British str., from Canton.

KANCHOW, British str., 1,229, G. Gibbs, 19th March—Shanghai 10th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

KWANGTAN, Chinese str., 2,305, Dawas, 20th March—Shanghai 16th March, General—C. M. & N. Co.

MURKIN, British str., 2,229, Williams, 19th March—Baliapapan 13th March, Ballast—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

PROMETHEUS, Norwegian str., 1,024, M. Jensen, 20th March—Bangkok 11th March, Rice—Thorsen & Co.

SINGAN, British str., 1,055, H. Trowbridge, 20th March—Haiphong 18th March, General—Butterfield & Swire.

SUISANG, British str., 1,776, H. Simpson, 20th March—Singapore 18th March, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

VARE, Norwegian str., 874, J. Jobben, 20th March—Swatow 19th March, General—Chinese.

DEPARTURES.

ATLANTIQUE, French str., for Saigon.

ATREBUS, British str., for Shanghai.

CHICAGO MARU, Jap. str., for Victoria.

DRUPAR, Norwegian str., for Swatow.

FOOSHING, British str., for Singapore.

HAKATA MARU, Jap. str., for Shanghai.

HUNAN, British str., for Shanghai.

IOILA, British str., for Canton.

KANCHOW, British str., for Canton.

NORSE, British str., for Shanghai.

PHEUMPHU, British str., for Saigon.

ROKOSAN MARU, Jap. str., for Takow.

TELEMACHUS, British str., for Singapore.

YAWATA MARU, Japanese str., for Moji.

YUENSANG, British str., for Manila.

ARABIAN, Danish str., for Shanghai.

BOMBAY MARU, Jap. str., for Shanghai.

CHINGCHOW, Br. str., for Port Paravai.

CHONGSHING, British str., for Tientsin.

DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.

DERWENT, British str., for Saigon.

HANOI, French str., for Haiphong.

HUPHER, British str., for Swatow.

KAIFONG, British str., for Hoikow.

KAYO MARU, Japanese str., for Swatow.

KWANTAN, Chinese str., for Canton.

LIANGCHOW, British str., for Shanghai.

UMA MARU, Japanese str., for Takow.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British str. *Suisang* reports: Fresh monsoon in China Sea.

The British str. *Haiching* reports: Light winds and a sea, sea smooth.

The British str. *Pausang* reports: Strong northerly wind, overcast and rough sea.

The British str. *Singan* reports: N.E. gale, high seas to light winds and smooth sea.

The Chinese str. *Hsinchong* reports: Fine clear weather, fresh to gentle variable winds and smooth sea.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENT.

The P.M. str. *China* left Manila on the 21st March a.m., and is due to arrive here on the 23rd March, at daylight.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

AMERICAN MAIL.

The P.M. str. *Manchuria* left Yokohama on the 19th March via Manila for Hongkong. The mails have been transferred to the N.Y.K. str. *Tamba Maru*, which is scheduled to arrive at Hongkong on the 28th March.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAILS.

The A.O. str. *Changsha* left Port Darwin on the 16th March for this port via Philippine ports, and may be expected to arrive on or about 28th March.

The E. & A. str. *Empire* left Sydney for this port (via Queensland Ports and Manila) on the 6th March, and may be expected to arrive here on or about 28th March.

THE str. *Umaria*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 19th March, and may be expected here on or about the 25th March.

The str. *Sangala* left Calcutta on the 3rd March, and may be expected here on or about the 25th March.

The Barber Line str. *Bolton Castle* for Hongkong via Panama Canal left New York on the 29th January and is therefore due to arrive here about the beginning of April.

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

To ascertain the anchorage of any Vessel, the Harbour has been divided into Four Sections commencing from Green Island. Vessels anchoring nearest Kowloon are marked "1," nearest Hongkong "2," midway between Hongkong and Kowloon "3," and those vessels berthed at the Kowloon Wharf "4," together with the number denoting the section.

SECTIONS.

1. From Green Island to the Harbour Master's. 2. From Harbour Master's to Bluff Pier. 3. From Bluff Pier to Naval Yard. 4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG & REG.	SECTION	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED TO
LONDON VIA USUAL PORTS OF CALL	NURIA	Brit. str.	1	A. R. Garwood, R.N.R.	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 25th inst. at Noon.
LONDON & SINGAPORE VIA PENANG, COLOMBO, &c.	NARVA	Brit. str.	1	A. Collyer	P. & O. S. N. Co.	On 31st inst. at 10 A.M.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & LIVERPOOL	CITY OF CORINTH	Brit. str.	1	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 11th Apr.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & SINGAPORE, &c.	SOWA MARU	Jap. str.	1	Murai	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 24th inst.
MARSEILLES VIA PORTS	POLYNESIAN	Brit. str.	1	Murai	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 24th inst. at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.C., & TACOMA VIA MANILA & JAPAN	CANADA MARU	Jap. str.	1	H. Yamamoto	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 3rd Apr. at 3 P.M.
NEW YORK VIA PANAMA CANAL	ART MARU	Jap. str.	1	Noma	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst. at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA SHANGHAI & JAPAN, &c.	CHITTO MARU	Jap. str.	1	St. Egbert	DODWELL & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA MANILA & JAPAN, &c.	CHINA	Am. str.	1	Chitro	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at Noon.
SAN FRANCISCO VIA MANILA & JAPAN, &c.	MANCHURIA	Am. str.	1	A. Dixon	PAACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	On 30th inst. at Noon.
MEXICAN, PERUVIAN & CHILE PORTS VIA JAPAN	NIPPON MARU	Jap. str.	1	A. G. Stevens	PAACIFIC MAIL S.S. Co.	On 6th Apr. at 1 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS, VIA MANILA	SHITO MARU	Jap. str.	1	Yagi	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 27th Apr. at 10.30 A.M.
JAPAN	NIPPO	Jap. str.	1	Yagi	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 11th May.
NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	YAGI	Jap. str.	1	T. Sato	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 15th Apr. at 4 P.M.
TIENTSIN	SHANGHAI	Jap. str.	1	Shane	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst. at Noon.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	YAMAWAKI	Jap. str.	1	Yamawaki	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst. at Noon.
SHANGHAI	KANCHOW	Jap. str.	1	E. H. Laver	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	To-morrow, at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	LUCHOW	Jap. str.	1	J. Meathall	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst. at 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	ORIENTAL	Jap. str.	1	A. L. Valentini	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	ERNEST SHIBBS	Brit. str.	1	W. F. Richard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 25th inst. at 5 P.M.
SHANGHAI & KOBE	CHONG MARU	Jap. str.	1	M. L. S. N. Co.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
SHANGHAI, VIADIVOSTOK, KOBE & MOI	SANGOLA	Jap. str.	1	M. L. S. N. Co.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	NEILSON	Jap. str.	1	J. Gaunt, R.N.R.	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
SHANGHAI	TAIYU	Jap. str.	1	K. Murakami	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
TAMBU, VIA SWATOW & AMOY	DAIJI MARU	Jap. str.	1	A. Kobayashi	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
ANPING & TAKAO VIA SWATOW & AMOY	SOWA MARU	Jap. str.	1	W. O. Passmore	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW	BAIKING	Jap. str.	1	J. W. Evans	DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.	On 25th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW	MATAN	Jap. str.	1	A. H. Stewart	DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.	On 25th inst.
SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW	HATSUMI	Jap. str.	1	Sidford	DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.	On 25th inst.
MANILA, CEBU & LLOLO	IBAN	Jap. str.	1	W. G. G. Leach	DOUGLAS LARPAK & Co.	On 25th inst.
MANILA	LOONGHANG	Jap. str.	1	P. Rolfe	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
MANILA	CHINAKU	Jap. str.	1	H. Nomura	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
BATAVIA, CHERIBON, SAMARANG, &c.	YIMARU	Jap. str.	1	T. Miyata	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE, MALACCA & COLOMBO	BANGKOK MARU	Jap. str.	1	Tokano	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	LUXON MARU	Jap. str.	1	Glory	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG, BANGKOK & CALCUTTA	TOKA MARU	Jap. str.	1	Bradley	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	NAMANG	Jap. str.	1	E. A. Matthews	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.	On 25th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	KUTSANG	Jap. str.	1	Imanami	TOYO KISEN KAISHA	On 25th inst.
SANDAKAN	MAUSANG	Jap. str.	1			
HAIPHONG	KIYO MARU	Jap. str.	1			
HOIKOW & PAKHOI	WENCHOW	Jap. str.	1			

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1. SANDAKAN "MAUSANG" Wed. day, 24th Mar. Noon.

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3. MANILA "LOONGSANG" Sat. day, 27th Mar. 3 P.M.

4. SHANGHAI "KWONGSANG" Sat. day, 27th Mar. 3 P.M.

5. SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA "KUTSANG" Sat. day, 27th Mar. 3 P.M.

6. MANILA "YUENSANG" Sat. day, 27th Mar. 3 P.M.

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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1915.

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THE ROYAL MAIL STEAM PACKET COMPANY.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.

"SHIRE" LINE SERVICE—HOMWARDS.

LONDON "CARNARVONSHIRE" On 11th April.

LONDON "MONMOUTHSHIRE" On 11th April.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

REGULAR SAILINGS TO VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA AND PORTLAND.

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Hongkong, 15th February, 1915.

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VESSELS ON THE BERTH

REGULAR STEAMSHIP SERVICE.

WITH LIBERTY TO CALL AT THE MALABAR COAST.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PANAMA CANAL.

S.S. "ST. EGBERT" On or about 25th Mar.

FOR NEW YORK VIA SUEZ CANAL.

S.S. "LENNOX" On or about 27th March.

For Freight and further information, apply to

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.,

Agents.

Hongkong, 6th March, 1915.

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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN, PORTS, LONDON AND LONDON.

THROUGH BILLS OF LADING ISSUED FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICA PORTS.

THE Steamship

"NUBIA"

Capt. A. B. Garwood, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port for BOMBAY on FRIDAY, the 26th March, 1915, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports, in connection with the Co.'s S.S. "MONSIEUR" from Colombo, passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Bulk and Valuable and Tea and Cargo for Italy, France and London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the Mail Steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London. Other Cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay and transhipped to the S.S. "KAISER-I-HIND" due in London on the 7th May, 1915.

Passes will be received at the Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent.

Hongkong, 13th March, 1915.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

S.S. "CHIYO MARU"

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, VIA HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

THE above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo remaining undelivered on 19th inst. at 5 P.M. will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. No Claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on 25th inst. at 5 P.M. will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All cargo and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or Godown, and examination of same to be held on 27th inst. at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be filed on or before 1st April, otherwise they will not be recognised.

K. DOT,

Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 18th March, 1915.

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AMERICAN AND MANCHURIAN LINE

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship

"CITY OF CORINTH"

Captain E. N. Gordon, having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on FRIDAY, 26th inst. at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be presented within FIFTEEN DAYS of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1915.

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"BARBER" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

The Steamship "SAINT EGBERT"

FROM NEW YORK.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 25th inst. will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 9th April, or they will not be recognised.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 28th inst. at 10 A.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by DODWELL & Co., Ltd., Agents.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1915.

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MODERN HIGH POWERED TWIN SCREW EXPRESS STEAMERS.

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"NORE"

Arrived Hongkong on 19th March, 1915.

From ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ & STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s Godown at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be stored until the Goods are landed.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS
SHANGHAI	ORIENTAL Capt. A. L. Valentini	About 25th Mar.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON VIA SINGAPORE OF CALL	NUBIA Capt. A. B. Garwood, R.N.R.	Noon 26th Mar.	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON VIA SINGAPORE PORT SAID MARSEILLES	NAMUR Capt. A. Collyer	10 A.M. 31st Mar.	Freight and Passage.
SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	NELLORE Capt. J. Gaunt, R.N.R.	About 1st April.	Freight and Passage.

All the above Steamers are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy.
Subject to immediate alteration without notice.

For Further Particulars apply to

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1915.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"TEAN"	On 23rd Mar., 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"KANGHOU"	On 23rd Mar., 4 P.M.
HOIHOW and PAKHOI	"WENGHOU"	On 24th Mar., 10 A.M.
NIENHSIN	"HUGHOU"	On 25th Mar., Noon.
SHANGHAI	"LUOHOU"	On 25th Mar., 4 P.M.
MANILA, CEBU and ILOILO	"CHINHUA"	On 30th Mar., 4 P.M.

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BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1915.

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MAIL SERVICE TO AUSTRALIA
VIA MANILA.

MAIL SCHEDULE
(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION).

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
EMPIRE	30th March	On 20th Apr., 11 A.M.
EASTERN	22nd April	On 18th May, 11 A.M.
ALDENHAM	30th April	On 21st May, 11 A.M.

The above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful supply of Ice, Fresh Provisions, etc., and are lighted throughout with Electricity. A State-rooms have Electric Fans. A daily qualified Doctor and Stewardess are carried.

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EASTWARD

S.S. "SANGOLA" 5,164 tons, Captain Milne, R.N.R. will be despatched for SHANGHAI, VLADIVOSTOK, KOBE and MOJI on 30th March.

S.S. "UMARIA" 5,317 tons, Capt. Elton will be despatched for YOKOHAMA, KOBE and MIKE on 30th March.

WESTWARD

S.S. "ITOLA" 5,257 tons, Captain Butler, will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PENANG, and CALCUTTA on 20th April.

The above Steamers have excellent Saloon accommodation for Passengers and are fitted with all modern conveniences and carry a daily qualified surgeon.

For Freight or passage, apply to

DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.,

Hongkong, 21th March, 1915.

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(Occupying 9 to 10 Days).

STEAMSHIP	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"HAICHING"	Capt. W. C. Passmore	TUESDAY, 23rd Mar., at 1 P.M.
"HAITAN"	Capt. J. W. Evans	FRIDAY, 26th Mar., at 1 P.M.
"HAIMUN"	Capt. A. H. Stewart	TUESDAY, 30th Mar., at 1 P.M.

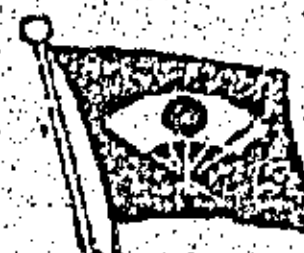
Steamers will arrive at and Depart from the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).
For Freight and Passage, apply to—

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1915

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TOYO KISEN KAISHA.



SAN FRANCISCO LINE.

VIA SHANGHAI, MANILA, THE INLAND SEA, JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Sailings from Hongkong—Subject to Change Without Notice

Steamer Displacement Tons and Speed. Leave Hongkong.

CHIYO MARU	22,000—21 knots	THURS., 25th Mar.
TENYO MARU	22,000—21 knots	TUES., 18th April.
NIPPON MARU	11,000—18 knots	TUESDAY, 27th April.
SHINYO MARU	22,000—21 knots	TUES., 11th May.

* Via MANILA, Omitting Shanghai.

Steamers via Shanghai leave at Noon.
"Manila" at 10.30 A.M.

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FIRST CLASS TO NEW YORK	£60.	" " " £96.10.
" " " SAN FRANCISCO	£45.	" " " £68.

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SPECIAL RATES GIVEN TO NAVAL AND MILITARY CIVIL SERVANTS
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VIA JAPAN PORTS, HONOLULU, HILO, LOS ANGELES,
MANZANILLO, SALINA CRUZ, PANAMA, CALLAO,
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THENCE BY

TRANS-ANDLEAN ROUTE TO BUENOS AIRES.

Steamer	Displacement Tons and Speed	Sails
SEIYO MARU	14,000—15 knots	Tuesday, 11th May.

For Full Particulars as to Passage and Freight, apply to—

K. DOI, ACTING AGENT,

King's Building,

TELEPHONE 291.

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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

REGULAR SERVICES,
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).



THE AMERICAN LINE TO TACOMA AND SEATTLE.

In Connection with

THE CHICAGO MILWAUKEE AND ST. PAUL RAILWAY CO.
FOR VICTORIA AND TACOMA VIA MANILA, MOJI, KOBE,
YOKKAICHI AND YOKOHAMA.

Steamer Captain Leaving
"CANADA MARU" H. Yamamoto TUESDAY, 30th Mar., at 5 P.M.
These Newly-Built Steamers of American Line have fair speed and are fitted with the
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FOR BOMBAY VIA SINGAPORE, AND COLOMBO.

Steamer Captain Leaving
"LUZON MARU" T. Miyata FRIDAY, 26th Mar., at 7 A.M.

FOR FOOCHEW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer Captain Leaving
"DAIJI MARU" S. Tokunishi SUNDAY, 28th Mar., at Noon.

"DAIJI MARU" K. Murakami SUNDAY, 4th April, at Noon.

FOR ANPING AND TAKAO VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer Captain Leaving
"SOSHU MARU" A. Kobayashi SUNDAY, 4th April, at 10 A.M.

FOR HAIPHONG (DIRECT).

S.S. "KEIJO MARU," CAPT. IMAIZUMI,

LEAVING ON FRIDAY, 26TH MARCH, AT 10 A.M.

These Steamers of Coast and Formosa Line have Excellent accommodation for First
Class Passengers and are fitted with Electric Light and Fans.

These Steamers will arrive at and depart from Soon Yip Wharf (near the Harbour
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MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

FRENCH MAIL LINES.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM JAPAN
VIA SHANGHAI.

FORTNIGHTLY SERVICE TO AND FROM EUROPE
VIA SUEZ CANAL.

OUTWARD

For SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA

ERNEST SIMONS ... On 23th March.

HOMEWARD

MARSEILLES VIA PORTS ... POLYNESIEN ... On 3rd April, at 1 P.M.

ALL STEAMERS FITTED WITH WIRELESS.

TRANSFERRING on the Co's Steamers at COLOMBO for CALCUTTA
(every four weeks), also at PORT SAID for the LEVANT, CONSTANTINOPLE
and BLACK SEA.

Through Tickets to LONDON via PARIS by rail.
Circular Tickets to Europe via Suez and SIBERIAN ROUTE and vice versa
delivered here.

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NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.



PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS	STEAMERS AND DISPLACEMENT	TONS	SAILING DATES
MARSEILLES and LONDON via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID	SUWA MARU Capt. Murai	23,000	THURSDAY, 25th March, at Noon.
	ATSUTA MARU Capt. S. Yoshikawa	16,000	SATURDAY, 10th April, at Noon.
VICTORIA, B.O. and SEATTLE via SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI and YOKOHAMA	AKI MARU Capt. Noma	12,500	TUESDAY, 23rd March, at Noon.
	TAMBA MARU Capt. Nagasawa	12,500	TUESDAY, 6th April, at Noon.
SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE	NIKKO MARU Capt. R. Takada	9,600	FRIDAY, 16th April, at 4 P.M.
	HITACHI MARU Capt. Tomimaga	13,500	MONDAY, 17th May at 11 A.M.
CALCUTTA via SINGAPORE PENANG and BANGALORE	TOSA MARU Capt. Takada	12,000	WEDNESDAY, 24th March.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, MALACCA and COLOMBO	RANGOON MARU Capt. H. Nomura	11,500	TUESDAY, 23rd March.
SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE	CEYLON MARU Capt. Shinohara	12,000	MONDAY, 29th March.
SHANGHAI and KOBE	HITACHI MARU Capt. T. Sato	9,600	FRIDAY, 16th April, at 10 A.M.
NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA	YASAKA MARU Capt. Yamawaki	20,000	TUESDAY, 23rd March.

§ Wireless Telegraphy.

PASSENGER SEASON FOR 1915.

FOR EUROPE.

Steamers	Displacement	Leave Hongkong.
SUWA MARU	23,000	Thurs., 25th Mar.
ATSUTA	16,000	Satur., 10th Apr.
YASAKA	20,000	Thurs., 23rd Apr.
KITANO	16,000	Thurs., 6th May.
FUSHIMI	25,000	3rd June.

FOR AMERICA.

Steamers	Displacement	Leave Hongkong.
AKI MARU	12,500	Tues., 23rd Mar.
TAMBA	12,500	6th Apr.
YOKOHAMA	12,500	15th Apr.
SADO	12,500	Tues., 4th May.
AWA	13,500	18th May.

For Further Information as to Freight, Sailing, etc., apply to—

T. KUSUMOTO, MANAGER.

TELEPHONE Nos. 292 and 1241

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

MARSEILLES AND LONDON

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR
COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, &c.
THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Connecting Steamer	Steamer to	Leave Shanghai	Leave Hong- kong	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES and LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES	Due at PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
leaves YOKOHAMA	COLOMBO.	HAY	KONO	MARSEILLES and LONDON	LES	
p.m.						
Mar. 15	NUBIA	Mar. 22	Mar. 28	MONGOLIA	Apr. 24	Apr. 30
	ORIENTAL	Apr. 6	Apr. 10	MALAYA	May 6	May 14
Apr. 12	MAITA	Apr. 19	Apr. 23	MOBIA	May 22	May 28
Apr. 26	SARDINIA	May 3	May 7	MAJOA	June 5	June 11
May 10	NUBIA	May 17	May 21	MOULTAN	June 19	June 25
	ORIENTAL	June 1	June 5	MOLODAVIA	July 4	July 10

THE ATTENTION of Passengers is drawn to the ACCELERATED ARRIVAL
of the Mail Steamers at Marseilles, Plymouth and London. These vessels will now arrive
in Marseilles on Friday, and London on the following Friday.
Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO.
Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in
Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES:

The Fares to London and Marseilles are as follows:—

	1st Saloon	2nd Saloon	3rd Saloon	Accommodation	Single	Return
LONDON	£65.	£44.	£24.			
MARSEILLES	£61.	£40.	£23.			

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS
INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSIT) STEAMERS WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON

CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS	Leave Y.H.A.M.	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave H.KONG	Leave SINGAPORE	Due at MARSEILLES	Due at LONDON
NAMUR	about	about	about	about	about	about
NOBE	Mar. 15	Mar. 26	Mar. 31	Apr. 6	May 4	May 13
NELLORE	Apr. 12	Apr. 23	Apr. 28	May 5	June 2	June 11
NOVARA	Apr. 26	May 7	May 18	May 18	June 17	June 26
	May 10	May 21	May 28	June 2	July 2	July 11

These Steamers call also at PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG and COLOMBO

FARES TO LONDON:

1st Saloon £75 Single; 2nd Saloon £35 Single; 2nd Return

FARES TO MARSEILLES:

1st Saloon £75 Single; 2nd Saloon £35 Single.

All Passenger Steamers are fitted with the Marconi System of Wireless Telegraphy

THE ABOVE RATES ARE SUBJECT TO A SURTAX OF 10%

For Further Particulars, apply to—

E. A. HEWETT,

Superintendent

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